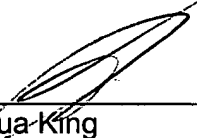


REMARKS

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 101 *et. seq.* and respectfully requests allowance of all pending claims. However, should the Examiner have any further questions about the application, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney at (425) 455-5575 to resolve the matter. If any need for any fee in addition to that paid with this Preliminary Amendment is found, for any reason or at any point during the prosecution of this application, kindly consider this a petition therefore and charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 07-1897.

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